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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed on the PTO-1449 form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Copies of the references are attached hereto as **Exhibits 1-7**.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,612,180 issued March 18, 1997. Brown, et al. (**Exhibit 1**);
2. Beyaert, R. et al., Casein Kinase-1 Phosphorylates the p75 Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor and Negatively Regulates Tumor Necrosis Factor Signaling for Apoptosis, *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, Vol. 270, No. 40, pages 23293-23299 (1995) (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Lecine, P. et al., Mice Lacking Transcription Factor NF-E2 Provide In Vivo Validation of the Proplatelet Model of Thrombocytopoiesis and Show a Platelet Production Defect That Is Intrinsic to Megakaryocytes, *Blood*, Vol. 92, No. 5, pages 1608-1616 (1998) (**Exhibit 3**);

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4. McCarthy, J. et al., RIP2 Is a Novel NF- κ B-activating and Cell Death-inducing Kinase, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol. 273, No. 27, pages 16968-16975 (1998) (**Exhibit 4**);
5. Morrow, C.S., et al., Coordinated Action of Glutathione S-Transferases (GSTs) and Multidrug Resistance Protein 1 (MRP1) in Antineoplastic Drug Detoxification, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol. 273, No. 32, pages 20114-20120 (1998) (**Exhibit 5**);
6. Smith, V., et al., Functional Analysis of the Genes of Yeast Chromosome V by Genetic Footprinting, Science, Vol. 274, pages 2069-2074 (1996) (**Exhibit 6**);
7. Wang, Y. et al., The Identification of a Cis-element and a Trans-acting Factor Involved in the Response to Polyamines and Polyamine Analogues in the Regulation of the Human Spermidine/Spermine N¹-Acetyltransferase Gene Transcription, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol. 273, No. 51, pages 34623-34630 (1998) (**Exhibit 7**).

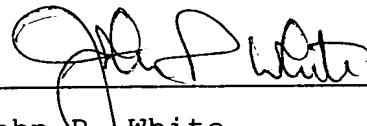
The above listed references were cited in a search report issued in connection with an international counterpart of the subject application. A copy of the search report is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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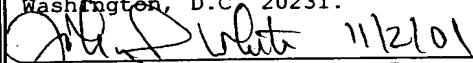
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